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For : A CAMERA SYSTEM HAVING A COMMUNICATION SYSTEM  
BETWEEN A CAMERA BODY AND A PHOTOGRAPHING LENS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application on the merits, the  
Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the specification as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 24 of the specification as  
follows (a marked-up copy of the amendment is provided as an attachment to this  
Amendment):

Figure 19B is a timing chart for a handshake operation performed between the camera  
body and the photographing lens at the commencement of the new-type communication  
process;